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- Japanese Patent Application No. JP 11-313301, published November 9, 1999, along with corresponding English abstract EP 0 939 545.
- Chinese Patent Application No. 1168601, published December 24, 1997, along with corresponding English abstract European Patent Application No. 0 785 686.
- Chinese Patent Application No. 1146102, published March 26, 1997, along with corresponding English abstract EP 0 744 847.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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